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Minutes 03/09/2009

Arlington Cultural Council
Minutes of Monday March 9, 2009
Robbins Memorial library
Arlington, MA

Present: Betsy Campbell, Anyahlee Canas, Stephanie Marlin-Curiel, David Fechtor, Tom Formicola, Suzanne MacLeod, Michele Meagher, Susan Murie, Sharon Shaloo, and Jean Yoder

Guests in Attendance: Eliza Burden and Amy Fischer

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Prospective new members Eliza Burden and Amy Fischer introduced themselves to the Council.

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes from January and February Meetings

Council members reviewed and unanimously voted to accept minutes from its January and February meetings as presented.

ITEM 2: RFP's

No requests for payment were received.

Sharon Shaloo noted that she would touch base with the appropriate liaisons about follow-up to grant recipients whose reimbursements are anticipated.

Tom Formicola shared a letter of thanks and invitation from the Dallin Art Museum.

ITEM 3: Election of New Officers

Council members voted unanimously to elect the following slate of officers with terms becoming effective on May 1, 2009:

- Co-Chairs – Anyahlee Canas and Suzanne McLeod (replacing Tom Formicola)
- Recording Secretary – Susan Murie (replacing Karen Dillon)
- Corresponding Secretary – Stephanie Marlin- Curiel (replacing Jean Yoder)

Item 4: Recruitment of New Board Members

In consideration of the fact that the terms of four current council members will be expiring over the next months, everyone agreed that we would actively pursue strong leads so that our number remains at about 10 as we enter the next grant cycle in the fall.

Item 5: Planning for April Reception to Honor Grant Recipients

Final details and responsibilities were confirmed regarding the budget, the guest list, the food, program, and the format. Responsibilities were divided, and all agreed to meet at 5:00 pm to assist with set-up.

Item 6: Planning for Artists and Organizations Summits

At the end of the session, Council members split into sub-committees to begin planning of their respective summit meetings in June.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm

These minutes were respectfully submitted by Tom Formicola